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DATE: July 7, 2011



RE: **NOTICE OF FILING** – STAFF REPORT FOR THE APPLICATION OF GROOM CREEK WATER USERS ASSOCIATION FOR AN EXTENSION OF ITS CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY – DOCKET NO. W-01865A-11-0057

Introduction

On January 31, 2011, Groom Creek Water Users Association (“Association” or “Company”) filed an application for an extension of its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (“CC&N”). On April 18, 2011, the Utilities Division (“Staff”) of the Arizona Corporation Commission filed its Staff Report. On May 26, 2011, a hearing in this matter commenced. In its Staff Report and at the hearing, Staff recommended the following:

- Staff recommended an extension of time until October 31, 2011 be granted through this proceeding to comply with all Approvals of Construction requirements outlined in Decision No. 70627.
- Staff further recommended the issuance of an Order Preliminary granting the CC&N extension in this proceeding subject to compliance with all Approvals of Construction requirements outlined in Decision No. 70627.
- Staff further recommended that Staff be required to file, within 60 days of the Company’s filing of compliance with Approval of Construction requirements, a Staff response to the Company’s filing, in the form of a Proposed Order confirming compliance and granting an extension of the Company’s CC&N to correct its existing CC&N boundaries to serve its customer base. The Proposed Order confirming compliance should be scheduled as soon as possible for a Commission vote after the filing of Staff’s response.

Association's Filings

On June 30, 2011, the Association filed in Docket Nos. 07-0385 (rates) and 07-0384 (financing) the following:

1. The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality's Approval of Construction, dated June 21, 2011, for the 65,000 gallon storage tank.
2. Yavapai County's Approval to Operate, dated June 2, 2011, for the booster station. (Staff will accept this Approval To Operate as the Approval of Construction.)

On July 6, 2011, the Company again filed in Docket Nos. 07-0385 and 07-0384 the following:

3. Yavapai County's Approval To Operate, dated November 10, 2010, for the distribution system line replacement.

Staff Response

In Decision No. 70627, Exhibit A, the water system improvements were divided and shown as, 1) Storage Tank, 2) Booster System and 3) Distribution System. Based on the above filings, the Company's has complied with the Approval of Construction filing requirements contained in Decision No. 70627.

Staff has attached the Approval of Construction and/or Approvals To Operate filed by the Association.

Conclusion/Recommendation

Staff concludes that the Association has met compliance with all Approvals of Construction requirements outlined in Decision No. 70627. Because the Association has complied, Staff withdraws its recommendation that the Commission grant the Association an Order Preliminary. Staff now recommends that the CC&N extension be granted without an Order Preliminary.

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Originator: Marlin Scott, Jr.

Attachments: Approval of Construction and Approvals To Operate

Service List for: Groom Creek Water Users Association
Docket Nos. W-01865A-11-0057

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Henry R. Darwin
Acting Director

APPROVAL OF CONSTRUCTION

Project Description: Groom Creek Water Users. AOC Permit for one 65,000 gallon galvanized NSF approved storage tank to serve the Groom Creek Water Users Association.

Location: Prescott, Yavapai County, AZ

Project Owner: Groom Creek Water Users Association

Address: 118 W. Northern Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85021

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) hereby issues an Approval of Construction for the above-described facility based on the following provisions of Arizona Administrative Code (A.A.C.) R18-5-507 et seq.

On March 16, 2010, ADEQ issued a Certificate of Approval to Construct for the referenced project.

On May 16, 2011 K.J. Miller, P.E., certified the following:

- A final construction inspection was conducted on May 14, 2011;
- The referenced project was constructed according to the as-built plans and specifications and ADEQ's Certificate of Approval to Construct;
- The water storage system was disinfected according to an ADEQ-approved method; and
- The applicant has the right to appeal this AOC Permit. Appeal information is on reverse side of this Permit.

Microbiological samples were collected on June 10, 2011, and analyzed on June 11, 2011 by Bradshaw Mountain Environmental Laboratory, ADHS License No. AZ0029. The sample results were negative for total coliform.

This Approval of Construction authorizes the owner to begin operating the above-described facilities as represented in the approved plan on file with the ADEQ. Be advised that A.A.C. R18-5-124 requires the owner of a public water system to maintain and operate all water production, treatment and distribution facilities in accordance with ADEQ Safe Drinking Water Rules.

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PWS No.: 13-040
LTF No.: 54354

Janak K. Desai
Janak K. Desai, P.E., Manager
Drinking Water Facilities Review Unit
Drinking Water Section

6/21/2011
Date Approved

cc: TEU File No.: 20090357
CRO Approval of Construction File
Yavapai County Health Department
Yavapai County Planning & Zoning Department
AZ Corporation Commission
Engineer

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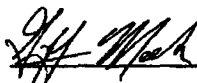
CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL TO OPERATE WATER FACILITIES

Y. C. D. S. E.U. File No: A52011000390	APN: 104-17-017
System Name: Groom Creek Water Users Association	
System Owner/Address: Groom Creek Water Users Association, P. O. Box 3897 Prescott, Arizona 86302-3897	
Project Name: Groom Creek Water Users Association Booster Station	
Project Applicant/Address: Robert Upton, Fann Environmental 6708 Corsair Avenue, Suite A, Prescott, Arizona 86301	
Project Location: Groom Creek, Arizona	
Project Description: This project includes the installation of a skid mounted booster pump system, a block building and associated piping. The booster skid consists of 3-7.5 HP pumps. A 40 Hp fire pump is located in the corner of the building. The building is constructed of block and is 33' X 24'. The project also includes 280 lf of 2", 190 lf of 3", 780' lf of 4" and 400 lf of 6" pipe. A 2,500 gallon hydro tank is located in the building that controls the pumps.	

Approval to operate the above-described facilities (as represented in the approved plan documents on file with the Yavapai County Development Services-Environmental Unit) is hereby given, subject to the following provisions:

- Approval is based on the "As -Built" drawings and Engineer's Certificate of Completion signed and dated May 2, 2011 by Robert D. Upton PE.
- System must have an agreement with an appropriate Certified Operator for system operation.
- This approval does not supersede or eliminate the necessity of obtaining permits or approvals from other county, state or federal agencies or departments.
- Issuance of this "Approval to Operate" does not authorize construction in any County, Town, City or State road rights-of-way for this project. A separate permit may be required. Please contact the regulatory highway department for this permit.

State law, A.R.S. 49-104, B.10, requires that the operation of the project must be in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality.


Geoff Meek, RS Manager
Environmental Unit

6-2-11
Dated

CC:

Y.C.D.S.-E.U. FILE
Public Works: Joe Huot
Planning

YAVAPAI COUNTY

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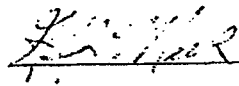
CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL TO OPERATE WATER FACILITIES

Y. C. D. S. E.U. File No: A52009000853	APN: 800-17-068Z
System Name: Groom Creek Water Users Association	13040
System Owner/Address: Groom Creek Water Users Association, 4209 S Adeline Dr, Prescott, AZ 86303	
Project Name: Groom Creek Water Users Association Line Replacement	
Project Applicant/Address: SAME	
Project Location: Prescott, Arizona	
Project Description: Replace existing water pipeline and service lines with approximately 20,000 LF of 6" PVC piping and appurtenances.	

Approval to operate the above-described facilities (as represented in the approved plan documents on file with the Yavapai County Development Services-Environmental Unit) is hereby given, subject to the following provisions:

- Approval is based on the "As -Built" drawings and Engineer's Certificate of Completion signed and dated October 14, 2010 by William Joseph Carnes, PE.
- System must have an agreement with an appropriate Certified Operator for system operation.
- This approval does not supersede or eliminate the necessity of obtaining permits or approvals from other county, state or federal agencies or departments.
- Issuance of this "Approval to Operate" does not authorize construction in any County, Town, City or State road rights-of-way for this project. A separate permit may be required. Please contact the regulatory highway department for this permit.

State law, A.R.S. 49-104, B.10, requires that the operation of the project must be in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality.

 11-10-10
Dated
Geoff Meek, RS Manager
Environmental Unit

cc:

Y.C.D.S.-E.U. FILE
Design Engineer
Project Applicant
System Owner
Public Works: Foster Thrift